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# STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Massage and Bodywork

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: Approved February 18, 2016

# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sandra Jachimowski, Professional Member, President Kathy Sherwin, Public Member Frank Beebe, Public Member Danielle DiFonzo Jermaine Cannon, Professional Member Rachel Dunning, Public Member Holly Overmyer, Professional Member, Vice President

# **MEMBERS ABSENT**

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL/COURT REPORTER**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Christine Mast, Administrative Specialist III Melanie Alexander, Administrative Specialist II

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

Thanh Buu Chau
Alexander Porter
Michele Pine
Aimee Moulder
Caren Ceban
Khris Cottingham-Whitty
Anton Wilson

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Jachimowski called the meeting to order at 1:36 pm.

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# **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the November 19, 2015 meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to approve the minutes, pending the correction of the spelling of a name is made. The motion carried unanimously.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### Evaluation of Modalities

Ms. Mast spoke on behalf of Mr. Mangler; she read to the board a statement that he prepared. Mr. Mangler stated after speaking to Ms. Freed a Rolf practitioner that she would be willing to attend any meeting to offer insight and suggestions to the Board. It was brought to the Boards attention that Structural Integration was initially thought to not need a license when the Board was newly formed, and that Structural Integration is the more appropriate titile for the practitioners of Rolphing and Hellerwork for licensing purposes. Ms. Freed also suggested to Mr. Mangler that the Board use the International Association of Structural Integrators (IASI) as a guide moving forward. Ms. Freed will do some information gathering regarding whether the various CE providers require "membership" to be able to access the CE activities. Ms. Freed stated she welcomes the opportunity to work with the Board going forward on the Bodywork portion of its statute and Regulations.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# Ratification of Massage Technician Certifications

A motion was made by Ms. Overmyer, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the ratification of the Massage Technician applications of: George R. Anderson, Lydia M. Mayo, Saisha E. Alexander, Hamilton L. Harris, Elizabeth W. Gitau, Jiqun Zeng, Courtney J. Hyman, Joy E. Wilson, Danielle English, Jeanne L. Dunn, Shufen Ma, Terressa N. Matthews, Jennifer A. Shalk, Briana N. Dixon, Diana Burgos, Greta D. Spradley, Jesus M. Gutierrez, Kierra N. Ferrell, Patricia A. Cline, and Ruth E. Floriolli. The motion carried unanimously.

# Ratification of License Massage Therapists

A motion was made by Ms. Overmyer, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the ratification of the Massage Therapist application of: Ying Yu Shen, Debra R. Hougaard, Maria A. Beasley, Ashley M. Henderson, Deborah E. Austin, Vanessa Zhou, Derek F. Miller, Christine M. Carter, Abigail R. Fry, Irine D. Devroude, Jessica Y. Xiong, Terri L. Faison, and Sharon L. Jones. The motion carried unanimously.

## Continuing Education – Approved

# Rosalyn Skinner-

Reiki I- Elective- 8 hours

#### Batman Massage-

Foot Reflexology Massage- East Meets West- 8 hrs- Core

## Relaxing Touch Bodyworks-

Introduction to Shiatsu Theory & Technique- 12 hours Core Chair Massage- 6 hours Core

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# Application(s) for DAG Review

Under advisement from Ms. Kelly, a motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. DiFonzo, to approve the application of Jennie M Williams for LMT licensure. The motion carried unanimously.

Under advisement from Ms. Kelly, a motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to approve the application of Alexander D. Porter for CMT licensure. The motion carried unanimously.

Under advisement from Ms. Kelly, a motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the application of Caren L. Ceban for CMT licensure. The motion carried unanimously

Under advisement from Ms. Kelly, a motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to table the CMT application of Keisha A. Simon, pending the receipt of a written explanation of facts related to the crimes, and an update on her life since the crimes occurred. The motion carried unanimously.

Under advisement from Ms. Kelly, a motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to propose to deny the CMT application of Michele L. Pine, for her criminal background. The motion carried unanimously.

## Review & Consideration of Hearing Officer Recommendations

A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Mr. Cannon, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Terri R. Hamlon. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Carolyn L. Rix. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Alexis L. Rose. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Thomas Rooney. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Michelle L. Schnupp. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Yan Shi. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Darlene M. Sutton. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Jodi L. Smith. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Perpetual N. Sampson. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Kelli J. Romei. The motion was carried unanimously.

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A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written and recommend the license of Michael Skivers be revoked. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Tyra Jackson. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Khris Cottingham-Whitty. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Tian Yu Shao. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Heather S. Warr. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written of Dong Li, and to add a \$150 fine. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. DiFonzo, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written and send a letter of reprimand instead for: Thanh Buu Chau, and flag for audit on the next renewal. The motion was carried unanimously. Ms. Overmyer recused herself.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Dong Li. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to approve the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Cynthia M. Darling. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Courtney R. Billings, and suggest her license be revoked. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Sherwin, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written and accept her CE's she provided for: Anton D. Wilson. The motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Ms. Sherwin, to reject the hearing officer recommendations as written of: Joshua Gaines and recommend the suspension begin immediately. The motion was carried unanimously. Ms. Jachimowski recused herself.

# Review & Discussion of Consent Agreements

A motion was made by Ms. Dunning, seconded by Mr. Cannon, to reject the consent agreement for Zhenshu Xu, with the recommendation the license be revoked. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Miscellaneous Review & Discussion

Ms. Mast read a statement prepared by Mr. Mangler, stating over the next few months he will be asking the Board to also re-visit the discussion and begin work on defining criteria to apply or identifying a mechanism to be used to identify an "acceptable school" from which the Board will accept graduates. Mr. Mangler will ask that the Board seek guidance from their Deputy Attorney General regarding whether or not an amendment to Chapter 53 is required to provide authority to

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further define requirements in the Rules & Regulations. While the Rules & Regulations do speak to "approved program of massage," there is no description of what an approved program is.

The Board reviewed the NCBTMB Disciplinary Action Reports.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Linda Ogilvie wrote in asking if a massage therapist can do cupping, and the Board referred to regulation 11.1.2- which states a licensee shall undertake a specific technique or use a product or equipment only if the licensee has the necessary knowledge, training or skill to competently perform the technique.

An email was received asking if we would accept their A&P course credit he received from DelTech, since our regulations changed from the last time he was licensed, and we now require 50 more hours than when he originally was licensed. The Board referred to regulation 2.1 and 2.2, stating the education must be obtained through an approved massage program.

Jinping Gao sent in a letter with a copy of his CE certificates asking if they could be approved for his audit and final order, the Board reviewed the documents and found that some of the certificates were acceptable but he still needed to complete more hands on training hours from a Delaware approved provider.

# **OTHER BUSINESS (for discussion only)**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

## **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Ms. Dunning to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting went off record and adjourned at 3:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Alexander

Administrative Specialist II

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